# The News & Brooklyn.

#### HOMES NEAR FORT GREENE. HEALTH OFFICIALS WAKING UP.

TRICT OF PRIVATE HOUSES.

MANY WELL-KNOWN PEOPLE LIVE IN THE TER RITORY NEAR THE PARK-RENTS LOW AND PRICES REASONABLE.

Beauty, comfort and respectability are the dominant features of the Fort Greene section. Its streets are finely laid out, asphalted in many places, tree lined, and in all as clean as the proverbial kitchen floor. The ground is high, the houses generally of brownstone and the surroundings as attractive as they are desirable for residential purposes. Among the "swell" streets in this district are that part of Cumberland known as Washington Park, Lafayette-ave., South Oxford-st., South Elliott Place, South Portland-ave, and Fort Greene Place. The fine three-story and basement brownstone houses in this neighborhood seldom change hands, and are mostly private homes. In recent years brick houses or buildings in brick and stone have crept into the district to relieve the monotony of Greene district is admirably situated, so far as concerned, yet it is beyond hearing of the bustle locality and the fact that all of the houses here have the most modern accommodations from basement to top floor, rentals and prices of real estate are reasonable. In spite of this and the enward and upward roll of progress and march of time, the original select character of the

place has been retained. The Courtneys live in Washington Park. One of them, who is an Assistant Corporation Counsel, married Mrs. Carroll, a daughter of Hugh McLaughlin, the Democratic leader. When she was married to the late Dr. Carroll she received presents valued at \$100,000 or more. To protect them from burglars a great steel vault was built under the sidewalk in front of the present Court-

The Rev. Dr. David Gregg, of the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church, lives in Washington Park, while the pastor emeritus of the same church, the venerable Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler, has a fine home in South Oxford-st. Register Henry F. Haggerty and Major John D. Kieley, former City Treasurer of Brooklyn, live in South Elliott Place. Azel D. Matthews and Edward L. Kalbfleisch have beautiful homes in South Portland-ave., where ex-Congressman Coombs also lives. President John Loughran, of the Manufacturers' National Bank, and the family of the late Mayor James Howell live in the same avehate Mayor James Howell live in the same avenue. Mr. Loughran's house is one of the few-indeed, probably the only one in Brooklyn-in which there is a private chapel. Here his daughter was married a few years ago, and the ceremony was performed by his son, who is a priest.

#### SET FIRES FOR EXCITEMENT.

TAYLOR CONVICTED OF ARSON IN THE THIRD DEGREE, AND CONFESSES TO HAVING CAUSED MANY BLAZES.

third degree yesterday in the County Court. Taylor is only sixteen years old, and lived at No. 570 Evergreen-ave. When arrested on March 27, 1899. nfessed to Fire Marshal Brymer that from February 3 to the date of his arrest he had se story flat buildings, merely to enjoy the excite

many fires, almost all of them in the active story flat buildings, merely to enjoy the excitement. He admitted that on February 3 he had set fire to No. 334 Madison-st.; February 24, No. 32 Cornelia-st.; March 2, No. 1,009 Putnam-ave.; March 4, No. 1,116 Gates-ave., March 5, No. 982 Futnam-ave.; March 11, No. 893 Jefferson-ave.; March 18, No. 1,106 Jefferson-ave.; March 18, No. 764 Macon-st.; March 18, No. 1,124 Bushwick-ave., and March 19, No. 570 Evergreen-ave.

When Taylor set fire to the double flathouse at Nos. 1,007 and 1,009 Putnam-ave., on which the involvent was based, it was occupied by ten families. The house is owned by Charles N. Canavallo, Herman S. Houtel, a tenant, discovered the fire on the night of March 2 and found in one of the coalbins a mattress which was burning fercely. Taylor had access to all of these houses, because he delivered orders for his employer, a fish dealer at Madison-st, and Broadway. The Grand Jury found an indictment for arson in the first degree. Judge Aspinall thought that the boy was not in his right mind, and appointed a commission to inquire into Taylor's sanity. The commission reported on April 29 that Taylor was sane.

## ELEVATED ROADS AT AUCTION.

CHARGES AGGREGATING MORE THAN \$4,000,000

TO BE MET BY SALE ON JULY 6. The Kings County and Fulton Elevated Railroad companies, in pursuance of a judgment granted by the Supreme Court, will be sold at noon on July 6. in the Kings County Courthouse, in foreclosure proceedings brought by the Mercantile and Central proceedings brought by the Mercantile and Central Trust companies, of Manhattan. Bids less than \$1.750,000 will not be accepted, and bidders must deposit with the referee \$175,000 in cash or by certified check, or in lieu thereof \$350,000 in bonds secured by the mortgage or deed of trust foreclosed in the action. With interest from May 24, 1899, together with cost, the approximate amount of the lien or charge to satisfy which the property is to be said is \$3,893,812.92. Other liens due on certificates issued by the receiver amount to \$300,000.

WILL NOT GET MORE ALIMONY.

ANNIE E. JOHNS LOSES HER SUIT AGAINST EX-ECUTORS OF THE H. W. JOHNS ESTATE.

decided that a wife who has obtained an absolute divorce with alimony cannot enforce the payment of the alimony by the executors of her husband's

of the alimony by the executors of her husband's estate after his death. This decision was made in the suit of annie E. Johns against Henry W. Johns, Jr., Emily L. Johns and Robert H. Martin as executors of Henry W. Johns.

Henry W. Johns was for many years the president of the H. W. Johns Manufacturing Company. He married Annie E. Johns in 1863. She obtained an absolute divorce in 1882, and Mr. Johns married again. Alimony was then awarded to Mrs. Johns at the rate of \$2,400 a year. Mr. Johns died in 1898, and the plaintiff sued his executors in order to compal them to set aside a certain sum to secure the payment of alimony to her during her lifetime.

Justice Smith said that Field vs. Field is a correct exposition of the law that alimony can be obtained only during the husband's lifetime.

# TO HONOR COMMANDER KAY.

All the Grand Army posts of Brooklyn will, on June 29, honor Department Commander Joseph W. Kay, of Winchester Post No. 197. There will be a reception and parade. The former will be held in the 12th Regiment armory. Judge W. D. Dickey, of the Supreme Court, and a member of U. S. Grant Post No. 327, will preside. There will be speeches, recitations and vocal and instrumental music. Gov-ernor Roosevelt and many prominent citizens have been invited.

"WHITE WINGS" MADE ILL BY DUST. Dr. J. L. Corish, of Bay Ridge, who looks after the physical welfare of Brooklyn's "white wings," eays that many of the mon are suffering from acute tonsilitis caused by inhaling disease germs while engaged in cleaning the streets. This will cause the Women's Health Protective Association to renew its efforts to prevent the spread of discase germs in the flying dust.

Dr. Corish's office is similar to that of a police surgeon. He receives a salary of \$1,200 a year and expenses.

# MISSING GIRLS FOUND.

Florence Baecht, of No. 403 Third-ave., Agnes Gillison, of No. 241 East Thirty-fifth-st., Manhattan, who disappeared from their homes in Manhattan on Tuesday, were found yesterday at the home of the former's aunt, No. 1.000 Broadway, at the home of the former's aunt, No. 1.000 Broadway. Brooklyn, When their parents learned of their disappearance a general alarm was sent out by the police. A telegram was sent to Mr. Baecht yesterpolice. A telegram was sent to Mr. Baecht yesterpolice at the home of his sister.

A CONVENIENT AND DESIRABLE DIS- THE CASE OF THE PLANET MILLS SMOKE NUISANCE IN THE DISTRICT-AT-

TORNEY'S OFFICE. The local Board of Health has finally lifted the pall of lethargy which has covered it for such a long time, and unless the chief officials of that Department become afraid of the effects of unwonted may pay some attention to public needs and nui-School Board and get the District-Attorney's office to act promptly it is likely that the soft-coal smoke nuisance that has been making the lives of the residents of South Brooklyn miserable for

months may be abated or removed. The inaction of the proper authorities in not compelling the Planet Mills to give up the use of soft coal has emboldened proprietors of other nearby manufactories to follow the example set by the mills. The Planet Mills are about a block away from Public School No. 32, at Hoyt and President sts. The dirty, black smoke sweeps into the open windows of the school in dense clouds, causing discomfort, interference with discipline and studies, and ill health. Principal S. M. Sprole told the local School Committee about this some time Assistant Sanitary Superintendent. Red-tape ideas were then followed. The local committee referred matter to the Health Board. The latter Board sent its inspectors to investigate the com plaint, and the Board served notice on the Planet Mills that if the nuisance was not abated legal action would be taken. No attention was paid and the Health Board then referred the case to the District-Attorney's office.

Black says: "So far as this office is concerned we should prefer indictments, but the District-Attorney's office seems to think that the the Planet Mills and take them before the of Special Sessions. Then, if the complaint stands, let the matter go from there to the Grand Jury, o if the Sessions has jurisdiction let the matter be

At the District-Attorney's office and that of the As the District-Attorney's office and that of the Assistant Corporation Counsel it was said that no decision in the method of procedure had been made. The superintendent of the Planet Mills said yesterday that he had not heard anything in some time from the Board of Health. Dr. McLean stated that if the attempts to make the company stop burning soft coal were of no avail the local committee would close the schools. At the meeting of the local School Board on Tuesday afternoon a resolution referring the case to the Law Committee to take the necessary legal proceedings was adopted.

TOO MUCH MUSIC FOR LODGERS.

NOISE MADE BY A "SELLO" LEADS TO THE ESTABLISHING OF A NURSERY.

The woes of living in a musical neighborhood have driven Mrs. Margaretta Davis to give up keeping lodgings to rent, and instead to run a Mrs. Davis proposes to call it the "Woodbine Nursery," because her house is No. 38 Woodbine-st.; so what could be more natural? Since the death of her husband, seven or eight years ago, she has earned a living by going out as a nurse. and has tried to eke out her means by renting the upper floors of her house, but with indifferent success, for the reason, as given by Mrs. Davis, that the "next-door neighbors keep a kindergarten and music school combined, and nobody can stand the racket. They just move in and move out again. The neighbors play the 'sello' a good deal. You know what that is—an instrument like a base drum -and they keep up that scratching and scraping so

I have it in my ears all the time." Mrs. Davis expostulated with these neighbors, but to no avail, so she decided to start a city nursery with the object of earning her living and perhaps drowning the noise next door. She applied at the Charities Department, and was told she would have to have the nursery incorporated, and then the city could furnish her with plenty of bables if the inspector approved of her premises.

Bo the State Board of Charities at Albany has

So the State Board of Charities at Albany has now under consideration the application of the Woodbine Nursery. Mrs. Davis easily solved the difficulty of getting a board of directors. It includes herself, her daughter, Mary Agnes Phillip, and Mary Dowling, all of No. 38 Woodbinest, rionera Sallesbury, of No. 12 Walworth-st., and William H. Biakeley, of No. 38 Gates-ave. The two women are friends of her daughter, and Mr. Biakeley is in the roofing business. Mrs. Davis wants to know what a board of directors is for.

PUZZLED BY THE SEA MONSTER.

THE FIND OF CAPTAIN SMITH, OF PATCHOGUE. TO BE GIVEN TO THE CENTRAL PARK MUSEUM.

Patchogue, Long Island, June 21.—The sea monster caught by Captain ohn A. Smith off Patchogue was brought to the mainland here last night and placed on exhibition. The enterprising captain made a lot of money at 10 cents a head admission. and there was a great rush of curious ones to see the monster. It is about 9 feet long and 9% feet around the body at its thickest part. Its head is 24 feet around, and the mouth outstretched measures nearly a foot across. Running along the jaws are two rows of sawlike teeth, pointing inward like those of a shark. The most curious part of the monster is its hard shell back, which begins at a point about 10 inches below its head, and runs to the tail. The shell is not round, like that of a turtle, but uneven, with six ridges or rows of pointed edges running lengthwise from head to Its two forward flippers are three feet long. but the rear ones are near the tail, and are small

The under part of the monster is beautifully marked like the spots of a leopard, in black and

marked like the spots of a leopard, in black and white, with the pink skin showing in places. Fishermen of forty years' standing cannot tell what the monster is, and many names have been given, but none really apply.

Captain Smith says he was four miles off shore when the monster was found in his sturgeon nets. The creature made no fight, while being lifted from the bottom, but its weight made the net hard to raise. As soon as it touched the top of the water and saw its captors it snapped at the men. Captain Smith managed to get a rope around its neck and choked it to death in hauling it ashore. Deep water sailors, who have travelled all over the world, say they never saw anything of its kind before.

Undertaker Ruland embaimed the body to-day, and it will be sent to the Central Park Museum of Natural History

TROLLEY SERVICE WILL BE IMPROVED. Clinton L. Rossiter, president of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, denied yesterday that he had any intention of cutting off cars on the Thirdave. line or on the Bath Beach and Bensonhurst line. In answer to complaints about inadequate service on these lines Mr. Rossiter said: "If these lines have been made deficient, I shall see that the lines have been made deficient, I shall see that the former service is resumed. Through cars to Coney Island will be operated over the West End Line through Bath Beach and Bensonhurst from the Thirty-ninth-st. ferry and Manhattan. There is no necessity for running Fifth-ave, cars on the former Nassau line to Fort Hamilton after midnight, but the service on the Third-ave. line will be made as efficient as possible. Where it is necessary more cars will be put on, and the service improved as much as possible.

JUDGE MOORE SETS ASIDE A VERDICT. Judge Moore, in the Queens County Court, yesterset aside the verdict obtained by Mrs. Rebecca M. Remsen, a widow, of Oyster Bay. Miss Dorothy Onderdonk, of Oyster Bay, died about a year ago.
Previous to her death she had not been on friendly terms with her family, and lived with Mrs. Remsen, who is related to the Onderdonks. After Miss Onderdonk's death Mrs. Remsen claimed a bankbook and bond representing about \$7,000. She said that Miss Onderdonk had given her this money. and had written a note to this effect before she

and flau with a state of the claim of Mrs. Remsen, and suit was begun to determine whether Mrs. Remsen was entitled to the money. The jury in deciding the case in her favor caused much surprise.

Judge Moore set aside the verdict on the ground that it was contrary to the evidence, and granted as a state of the state

JAMAICA NORMAL SCHOOL GRADUATION. The second annual commencement of the State
Normal and Training School, in Jamaica, will be
held to-morrow, beginning at 2:30 p. m. There are
thirty-one graduates, of whom twenty-eight are

TO TRY TO MAKE THE CITY PAY THE BILL.

A. Lawrence Jensen intends to take advantage of the provisions of an act known as Chapter 7 the Laws of 1899, which slipped through the last session of the Legislature and was signed by Gov for criminal offences who are acquitted on tria certain privileges which are not possessed by per-sons ordinarily accused by a Grand Jury. Mr. Jensen was a clerk in Controller George W. Palmer's office in the old city of Brooklyn, and was tried criminal charge in connection with the affairs of the office. He is the first ex-public official to take vides for the defraval of the expenses of legal pr

officials of this State and of the cities and countles thereof.

The act was introduced by Senator Ahearn, of Tammany Hall. Mr. Jensen's counsel has obtained from Justice Maddox, of the Supreme Court, an order requiring the city of New-York to show cause why a referee should not be appointed to ascertain and determine the claim of Mr. Jensen for all the expenses, counsel fees and so on incurred by him in his trial. Mr. Jensen was acquitted on May 25; the Ahearn bill was introduced February 17, and passed by the Legislature on May 16.

#### WEDDINGS.

Miss Clara Estelle Ackerman, daughter of Mrs. Clara Estelle Ackerman, of No. 50 Downing-st., and Arthur P. Dunkley were married at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's mother. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. D. Nies, before a screen of palms in the front drawing room. The floral decorations were pink. The bride was gowned in white mousseline de sole over white taffeta, the point lace with which it was adorned The veil was of tulle and her bouquet a shower of bride roses and illies of the valley. She was atas maid of honor. Miss Ackerman was attired in pink mousseline de soie over pink taffeta, and carried pink roses. Dr. William H. Campbell acted as best man.

of Mrs. Marie A. Illig, of No. 442 Jefferson-ave., and George Saddington Pettit, son of George H. Pettit, formerly a captain in the 23d Regiment, was solemnized last evening at 5 o'clock at the home of the bride. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. Dr. Robert J. Kent, pastor of the Lewis Avenue Congregational Church. The bride, who was given away by her brother-in-law, Edwin P. Collins, was attired in white mousseline de sole over white taffets, trimmed with a flounce of point lace, and a garniture of the same lace was aljusted as a bertha. Her tuile vell was fastened with a diamond star, Mr. Pettit's marriage sift. Her bouquet contained fifty white roses, one for each guest. Carroll Wight was best man. Those present were limited to the immediate relatives of the bride and bridegroom. The decorations were pink, and among the wedding presents were checks for a considerable sum from John Saddington, uncle of the bridegroom, and from his father and mother. The bridal trip will be through the Adirondacks. On their return Mr. and Mrs. Pettit will live on the Shore Road, Bay Ridge. George Suddington Pettit, son of George H. Pettit,

COMMENCEMENT AT ST. PAUL'S.

A MEMORIAL TO MRS. A. N. LITTLEJOHN AND ONE TO THE SCHOOL'S SOLDIER BOYS UNVEILED.

The graduation exercises of the Catheiral School of St. Paul's were held yesterday in the large new gymnasium, close to the school. tended by relatives and friends of the students They began at 10:30 o'clock a. m. by the reading of Vocal and instrumental music fo lowed. The oration and valedictory were delivered by William Alexander Blount, the remainder of the by William Alexander Blount, the remainder of the programme consisting of presentation of class picture by Norman O. Hutton, presentation of medals by the dean of the Garden City Cathedral, the Very Rev. Samuel Cox. and presentation of prizes and diplomas, by Bishop A. N. Littlejohn.

The memorial font to Mrs. Littlejohn, wife of Bishop Littlejohn, was unveiled with impressive ceremonies, conducted by the faculty and boys of the school. A memorial tablet to the boys of the school who took part in the Spanish-American War was also unveiled.

COOL HEADS PREVENTED A PANIC.

ENED BY TUESDAY NIGHT'S STORM.

prevented a panic among the members of the Greene Avenue Baptist and the Sumner Avenue Methodist Episcopal Sunday-schools.

The schools had been enjoying their annual excursion at Empire Grove, on the Hudson. When the thunder began to roar and the lightning the thunder began to four and the flashed many of the one thousand passengers the boat tried to crowd into the cabin at the satime. Some of the women became hysterical, a some fainted. The members of the committee serestored order.

## FLUSHING PASTOR HELPS FIREMEN.

The Rev. Harmon Potter, of the Flushing Reformed Church, was walking along Main-st., Flushing, on Tuesday afternoon, when the Young America hose carriage came rolling along with only a few men at the ropes. They were exhausted with rew men at the ropes. They were exhausted with the heat and hard pull. Saying a quick goodby to several women with whom he was talking, Mr. Potter rushed out and caught hold of the ropes. He ran with the energy of a veteran fireman.

Smoke was rising from the back of the Flushing institute, and it was thought the building was on fire. Mr. Potter assisted in loosening the hose from the carriage and laying a line to the fire. The fire was in dry grass in the fields back of the buildings. After the fire Chief James McCormick thanked Mr. Potter for his assistance.

VERDICTS AGAINST NASSAU COMPANY. Albert E. Jones and his wife, Nellie A. Jones, each received a verdict yesterday in the Supreme Court against the Nassau Railroad Company. Mr. Jones, who sued for \$2,500 for loss of the services of his while, received a vertical for second damages, got a verdict for \$500.

Mrs. Jones alleged that she was seriously injured on August 17, 1888, by being thrown in a collision from a seat of one of the company's cars.

THE WINON JURY DISAGREED.

Justice Gaynor, in the Supreme Court, yesterday Justice Gaynor, in the Supreme Court, yesterday discharged the jury in the case of Frank Wixon, of No. 212 Thirty-third-st., against the commission firm of William E. Philips & Son, to recover \$10,000 for the loss of his daughter, Margaret, five years old, who, he alleged, died from the effects of inone, who, he already also from the enects of the juries received by being run over by one of the de-fendant's trucks. The jury disagreed, as several of them said that more proof that it was the Phillips wagon which ran over the child was needed.

## REPAINTING BRIDGE CARS.

The cars which formed the equipment of the Bridge service under its operation by the city are being repainted a bright red color. They are being numbered from 400 up, and the words "Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company" are also being put on the

CHARGED WITH SWINDLING TEACHERS. Magistrate Brenner in the Ewen-st, police court

yesterday held Benjamin Johnson, sixty-seven years old, an alleged swindler, in \$350 bail for the years old, an alleged swindler, in Now ball for its Court of Special Sessions. Miss Daley Bradshaw, a teacher in Public School No. 33, at Hamburg and Central aves., was the compisinant. She and three other teachers connected with the school alleged that Johnson swindled them of small amounts of money by representing himself as an agent for the National Study Company and selling colored charts on condition that they should pay him \$1.50 deposit. The teachers never received the charts.

ANOTHER CASE OF SMALLPOX FOUND. Another case of smallpox was discovered in Brooklyn yesterday. James Pollock, twenty-three years old, a boarder at No. 124 Coffey-st., who has peen working at Hobinson's Stores, near the Erie Basin, complained several days ago of feeling ill. He did not know what was the matter with him. and the men on the dock were not, of course, in any way slarmed. Pollock felt worse than usual on Tuesday, and went to the Polhemus Clinic, Henry and Congress sts. One of the doctors saw that the man was suffering from smallpox, and sent him to the Long Island Hospital. Dr. Black, sent nim to the tong is and respirat ansistant sanitary superintendent, was called in, and yesterday Pollock was taken to North Brother Island. Twenty-six men, some of whom boarded with Pollock, were vaccinated by the officers of the Health Board. An attempt is being made to find other persons who may have been in Pollock's

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#### JERSEYMEN IN CONGRESS.

MR. HENDERSON MAY PROMOTE SOME MEMBERS ON COMMITTEES.

THE STATE'S DELEGATION MAY NOT RETAIN ALL IT HAD UNDER SPEAKER REED-SOME OF THE CHANGES CONTEMPLATED.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] nierest in New-Jersey circles as to where the members of the Congressional delegation will be ed on committees by the new Speaker, Had Mr. Reed remained in the chair, there might have been a few changes, with the probabilities favoring retention of most of the present advantageous believed from his utterances that Mr. Henderson

believed from his utterances that Mr. Henderson will adopt a radical policy of change in any respect. On the contrary, he is quite likely to keep Speaker Reed's appointees in, and fill up the vacancies with the best new material at command. In the late organization the two oldest members in service, Messrs. Gardner and Loudenslager, held such eligible chairmanships as those of Labor and Pensions, and Judge Stewart, besides getting a small chairmanship, kept his place on the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, Mr. Parker was promoted to membership on the Judiciary Committee, a place thoroughly congenial to a lawyer. Mr. Howell secured what he desired, membership on the Public Buildings and Grounds Committee. Mr. Fowler was well placed, for his principal appointment, on the Banking and Currency Committee.

The new Speaker will not have to provide leading positions for Mr. Pitney's successor. But on the other hand he will have more such places to bestow elsewhere. It is a question whether New-Jersey members will retain all they had under Speaker Reed. And yet in going over the committee list, and recollecting that a good many old members were not re-elected, one does not see where a New-Jersey man could be dropped, if the conservative

Committee. With Mr. Hilborn and others not ected, it would be natural to suppose the reed members would not be disturbed. The 
is true of the Banking and Currency Commitwhere Mr. Fowler will be advanced, if not sed for chairman, and the Commerce Commitunless Judge Stewart should ask for another 
timent. It is probable that Mr. Howell will 
to remain on the Committee on Public Buildand Grounds. ings and Grounds.
Dr. George H. Bridgeman, of Elizabeth, Minister of the United States to Bolivia, was in the city a short while yesterday, and called at the State Department.

#### WEDDINGS.

Miss Cecilia Gaines was married yesterday at her ome, No. 208 Summit-ave., Jersey City, to Dr. John Holland, of Cold Spring, N. Y. The ceremony John Holland, of Cold Spring, N. 1. The ceresinony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Guerstan, of the Moravian Church, of New-York, assisted by the Rev. E. L. Stoddard, rector of St. John's Protestant Episcopai Church, Jersey City. The mail of honor was Miss Neilie Holland, a sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Helen Hunter, a cousin of the bride, was the flower girl. Dr. Sherrill, of New-York City, was the best man. Mrs. Holland was prominent in New-Jersey as a member of the Federation of Women's Citibs, and was active in a number of similar organizations. She was also identified with several charitable societies.

Red Bank, June 21 (Special).-Miss Florence I Rue, daughter of Matthew Rue, of Red Bank, and Rue, daughter of matthew Rue, of Red Dana, and Richard A. Sirong, of Brooklyn, were married this afternoon. The ceremony was performed in the Presbyterian Church by the Rev. R. G. Davey. The bride wore a dress of white organdle over taf-feta slik, trimmed with mousseline de sole. Her attendants were Miss Matilda Rue, Miss Nellie Rue, of Hoboken, and Miss Julia Appleby. Mr. and Mrs. Strong left for Canada on their wedding trip.

Flemington, June 21 (Special).-Miss Leona Young, Flemington, June 2i (Special).—Miss Leona Young, of Flemington, was married to A. J. Shampnore, of White House, at the home of the bride, in Broad-st. at 1 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. J. W. Rogan, pastor of the Presbyterian Church. The bride was attired in white satin, and carried a bouquet of white roses. Miss Hattle Moore was maid of honor, and Frederick Shampanore, of White House, acted as best man. Guest's were present from Buffalo, New-York City, Newark, Trenton, Elizabeth and Flemington.

East Orange, June 21 (Special).-Miss Margaret ried to Raymond Dumont Condt, of Orange, at the home of the bride's father, No. 28 Amherst-st., East Orange, last night. The best man was John H. Cadmus, of Orange, and the maid of honor was Miss Elste De Witt, of Port Jervis.

Elizabeth, June 21 (Special).-Bertha Dunn, only daughter of former Congressman John T. Dunn, was married in St. Mary's Catholic Church at 5 vas married in St. Mary's Catholic Church at 5 clock this evening to John F. Brown, a member of the Union County Bar, who is exalted ruler of lizabeth Lodge of Elks and a prominent member Elizabeth Council Knights of Columbus. The sremony was performed by the Rev. Francis CNeill, pastor of the church. The best man was rimer School Commissioner William D. Wolfeskell, and the bridesmalds were Miss Edith Lyons, Miss mms Zlor, Miss Mary Farmer and Miss Anne linch. The welding party was preceded into the aurch by Master Paul Byrnes and Miss Leola cilly, daughter of Dr. Reilly, who carried satin shions, on which the couple knelt. A reception flowed at the home of the bride's parents, in chway-ave.

## FARMING IN NEW-JERSEY.

SECRETARY DYE A WITNESS BEFORE THE IN-DUSTRIAL COMMISSION IN WASHINGTON. INV TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Washington, June 21.—Secretary Franklin Dye, of the New-Jersey State Agricultural Society, ap-

Washington. June IL—Secretary Franklin Dye, of the New-Jersey State Agricultural Society, appeared before the Industrial Commission to-day as a witness on the subject of farming in New-Jersey, and Representative Gardner presided over the Commission. Mr. Dye said that the number of farm laborers in the State was decreasing on account of the development of manufactures and railroad building. Mr. Dye said he had worked at the dairying business for many years, from a o'clock in the morning to 7 in the evening. The hired man will not stick at work so exacting. Farm labor in New-Jersey is becoming migratory. A tenant laborer will not stay long, and the tenant houses are failing to pieces.

Farm lands have so depreciated in value that many of the farms can be bought for the mere value of the improvements on them. This is an inducement to immigrants who wish homes for themselves. One cause of the depreciation is that wheat can be raised cheaper in Dakota than in New-Jersey. Besides, a bushel of wheat pays as much freight from South Jersey to New-York as from Dakota to New-York.

Mr. Dye advocated restriction of immigration, as there were plenty of laborers in the country already. The general government, he thought, should not open up more land in the West by irrigation, but should leave the matter to the States. The New-Jersey public schools taught nothing about agriculture, the one thing the pupils want to know.

Secretary Dye said also that the Agricultural Department should give agriculturists information as to the requirements of the world. It would be difficult to regulate production so there would be no surplus. Even if the acreage could be controlled, there would be danger of occasional drouth. Our consuls abroad could increase the use of our agricultural products by calling attention to them, and illustrating their use to the people there.

Mr. Dye stated that the New-Jersey peach industry had sustained injury on account of high freight rates. The fruit could not be put on the market, and some large orchards ha

#### CHARLES STURTEVANT DEAD. HIS FIRM IN NEW YORK CITY SAID TO HAVE

BEEN THE FIRST TO SHIP HAY IN BALES. Orange, June 21 (Special).—Charles Sturtevant, for over twenty years a Justice of the Peace in Orange, died yesterday at the Orange Memorial Hospital from consumption. He was sixty-seven years old, and had carried on a furniture business years old, and had carried on a furnitude bostuces in Orange for upward of thirty years. He was born in Columbia County, N. Y., in 1822, and was educated in Kent, Conn. He, with his father, went into the wholesale hay and grain business in went into the wholesale hay and grain business in New-York City, and their firm was said to have been the first to ship hay in bales, the baling being done by themselves in a crude hand preas. Mr. Sturtevant was an expert checker player. He was a lifelong Republican, and was elected Justice of the Peace on that ticket continuously until last spring, when the ward leaders forgot that his term had expired, and his name was omitted. The Democrats placed his name on their ticket, and he was elected. He is survived by two brothers and five sisters, never having married. The funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at the home of his brother-in-law. Colonel Edwin W. Hine, in Parkave.

EX-POLICE SERGEANT GAY DEAD. Passaic, June 21 (Special).—John T. Gay died at his home, in Lexington-ave, this morning. He was stricken with paralysis recently. He was for twenty-seven years a sergeant on the New-York police force. FOUNG MARINE LODGED IN JAIL.

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PAUL D. FORD, OF NEW-BRUNSWICK, ARRESTED AT THE BROOKLYN NAVY YARD.

Paul D. Ford, twenty-two years old, of No. 157 'hurch-st., New-Brunswick, was arrested in th Brooklyn Navy Yard yesterday and locked up in he Raymond Street Jail on a charge of being a ugitive from justice, made by John Moy, Sheriff of Middlesex County. Ford will be held to await equisition papers. He is a private in the Marine lorps, but has been in the service only a short

time.

The charge against the young man, who was formerly a clerk, is that three weeks ago he compelled his sister by threats to sign a check for \$2. His friends believe that the charge is only a technical one, made by his family to get him out of the Marine Corps. Ford is a fine-looking young man and has a good reputation.

NEWARK A. M. E. CHURCH CONFERENCE

PRAISE FOR THE EDUCATIONAL ADVANTAGES NEW-JERSEY OFFERS TO COLORED STUDENTS.

The Newark district of the African Methodist Episcopal Church held its annual conference in St. James's Church, in Newark, yesterday. The meet-

lame's Church, in Newark, yesterday. The meeting was called to order by Presiding Elder L. Sturses, who made an address. The Rev. W. W. Johnson, of Atlantic Highlands, was elected secretary and the Rev. J. H. Christmas assistant secretary. The Rev. J. B. Stansbury, of Asbury Park, preached in the evening. There are twenty-five congregations in the district.

A committee on the state of the public schools in the district gives them high praise, and says "the concord and discipline of the public schools in the various wards and suburban towns, as well as in the cities of less magnitude, in the interest of all their pupils, without discrimination as to hue, is the solution of the educational problem of this race in the country. The study of the sciences in the high school and the lectures and free libraries are open to all alike, and to this fountain of intelligence the humblest can come with equal chance and equal opportunity. The report enumerates the young colored men and women to graduate from the public schools this year, and says the outlook for the race in New-Jersey is promising. The report declares education to be the great means of solution of the negro problem.

IRON WORKERS STRIKE IN JERSEY CITY.

SIXTY-FIVE MEN EMPLOYED ON THE PENNSYL-VANIA RAILROAD STATION QUIT.

Sixty-five iron workers at work on the extension of the train shed at the Pennsylvania Railroad station, Jersey City, made a demand yesterday morning for the new union schedule of eight hours instead of ten hours' work a day and for an increase from \$2.50 to \$2.80 a day. Contractor Andrew Brandt refused their demands and the men quit work. The strikers were paid by the contractor and told that they could look for work eisewhere. The contractor said he would have no difficulty in filling their places.

TO EXAMINE SEABRIGHT'S BOOKS.

INVESTIGATION THE RESULT OF CHARLES DESCH'S SHORTAGE WHILE COLLECTOR.

Trenton, June 21 (Special).-Justice Collins, of the Supreme Court, has appointed Richard C. Fessenden, of Jersey City, to investigate the books of the municipality of Seabright,

investigation is the outcome of the disap-The investigation is the outcome of the disappearance of Charles Desch, the Town Collector, in the latter part of March, on the day of the Windsor Hotol fire in New-York. His friends circulated the report that he was one of the victims, but it developed that Desch's accounts were not as they should be, and an expert was put to work on his books. He discovered, it is said, a shortage of over \$6,000. John F. Hawkins, representing a number of Seabright's citizens, made the application to Justice Collins, saying that the people wanted a more thorough investigation. thorough investigation.

SETON HALL COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

BISHOP WIGGER PRESIDES, AND THE REV. J. J.

South Orange, June 21 (Special) .- The forty-third lege were held this morning on the college campus, Bishop Wigger, of Newark, and titular president of the college, presided. He was assisted in conferring the diplomas and awarding the prizes by the Rev. first time in the history of the college in "mortar boards" and gowns. The orations were the following "Modern Thought and Scientific Freedom," by Edward F. Quirk; "Sceptielsm and Common Sense," by David M. Flynn; "Human Nature," by John J. Caullet; "The Longing for God," with the valedictory, by John A. Dillon. The address to the graduates was delivered by the Rev. James J.

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The degrees awarded were the following:
Master of Arts (in course)—Daniel J. Callahan, Orange Valley, Michael P. Cotcoran, Jersey City, Joseph J. Cunningham, Providence, R. L. John E. Doniey, Providence R. L. Patrick A. Maher, Mount Hope; Edmond J. Miskela, Dover, Samuel A. Mitchell, Bordentown; Joseph J. Murphy, Washington, D. C.; John M. McDonnid, Elizabethport; Francis P. McHugh, Wilkesbarre, Penn., and Henry J. Watterson, Jersey City.

Bachelor of Arts—John J. Caullet, Trenton; Stephen A. Claffy, Jersey City; John A. Dillon, Elizabeth; John J. Greaney, New-York City; Cornelius J. Kane, Elizabeth; George A. Letterhaus, Newark; Nicholas Marnell, Hoboken; William B. Masterson, Newark; David M. Flynn, Jamaica Phains, Mass.; Edward J. McClary, Jersey City; Cornelius A. McGlennon, Harrison; John A. McGowan, South Orange; Edward F. Quirk, Summit; James J. Smith, Newark; Sylvester Tobin, Brooklyn; Samuel A. Turner, Jersey City, and John B. Frisbie, New-York.
Bachelor of Science—James J. Collins, South

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The Rev. James J. Sheehan, of Newark, was elected a trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Rev. Dr. Joseph J. Synnott.

EPWORTH LEAGUERS AT MONTCLAIR.

Montclair, June 21 (Special).—The fifth annual onvention of the Epworth League of the Phila-

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convention of the Epworth League of the Philadelphia district of the Delaware Conference of the
Methodist Episcopal Church (colored), was opened
this afternoon in St. Mark's Methodist Episcopal
Church. The convention is composed of delegates
from New-Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania and parts
of New-York and Delaware.

The Rev. Mr. Shockley, presiding elder, called the
meeting to order at 2 o'clock, and these committees
were appointed: Credentias—Ernest Gaither, Mrs.
Francis Watts and Lincoln M. Smith; Resolutions
—G. R. Hubbard, Thomas Tibbs and Mrs. Sarah
Disharson.

Dr. P. O'Connell, principal of the Princess Anne
Academy, spoke on educational work. To-morrow
morning the Rev. Dr. W. H. Brooks, of New-York,
will deliver the annual address, and the election of
officers will take place. In the afternoon the members will go to Eagle Rock on an excursion. The
convention will close at night with an address by
the Rev. John Y. Dobbins, pastor of the First
Methodist Church, Montelair.

HOUSES BURN DOWN IN ELIZABETH. Elizabeth, June 21 (Special).-A fire in Wittman's bologna cooknouse, in Franklin-st., here, this even-ing destroyed the shop, with Sylvester Magnola's junk establishment and two houses adjoining, in-habited by Italians. Half a dozen other houses caught fire from the flying sparks, and the roofs of two were badly burned. The fire burned three hours. The loss is several thousand dollars. bologna cookhouse, in Franklin-st., here, this even-

SHE WAS MRS. MARY PYLE. The woman who died in St. Mary's Hospital, Hoboken, from the effects of an electric shock, re-ceived from a live wire which broke and struck her in the face as she was riding in a trolley-car in North Bergen on Monday, was identified at Parslow's morgue, in Hoboken, yesterday as Mrs. Mary Pyle, fifty-one years old, of No. 88 Bruns-wick-st., Jersey City.

INSURANCE AGENT HELD FOR FRAUD. John Knell, an insurance agent, living at No. 215 North Fifth-st., Newark, was arraigned before Police Justice Nevin at Jersey City yesterday. He was charged with defrauding Mrs. Lena Kopfman, of East New-York, out of \$55.90. It is alleged she path him for a policy on the life of her husband, and that he appropriated the money. Knell, who is fifty-three years old, was held for examination.

TWO FATAL ACCIDENTS IN JERSEY CITY. Leopold Straub, twenty-five years old, a brake-man on the Pennsylvania Railroad, was fatally man on the remayivana kandom, was attany crushed between the bumpers of two cars in the railroad freight yard in Jersey City last night, and died in an ambulance. He lived at No. 4554 Mulberry-st.

James Minifer, five years old, of No. 253 Emmettst, Jersey City, was fatally kicked in the head by a horse near his home yesterday afternoon.

### THOROUGH PARTY PURGING

HUDSON COUNTY REPUBLICANS INSIST

THEIR HOLD ON POWER

PRESENT LEADERS DISTORTED THE OLD ONE WITHOUT LICENSE, IN ORDER TO KEEP

Many Republicans in Hudson County who favor a reorganization of the party are of the opinion that no reorganization can be successful unless a constitutional convention is called and an entire new constitution is adopted. The constitution under which the present County Committee is working was adopted by a convention in 1891, and it has been so manipulated from time to time by the leaders of the machine that they are in absolute control of party affairs. Under the provisions of the constitution the party management was placed in the hands of the County Committee. It was stipulated that the constitution could be amended only by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any regular meeting of the County Committee, and notice in writing of the proposed amendment was to be sent by mail to ing county convention for approval, and the majority vote of the convention would be final.

ALL BUT THE LEADERS WERE SATISFIED.

Nine-tenths of the Republicans in Hudson County Nine-tenths of the Republicans in Hudson County, were satisfied with the constitution of 1891, and for a time it worked satisfactorily to all. The leaders who undertook to manage the party's affairs were among the first who found its provisions obnoxious. They realized that, unless it was amended, they would be unable to control the machine any longer without being subservient to the County Committee, which was not attractive to them for they knew that many members of the committee would not sanction their political methods. They accordingly decided that the constitution should be so amended that it would not interfere with their plans. They began to alter the original constitution, and changed it from time to time in such a manner that only a small part of its original provisions remains. No fault would have been found with this work if the amendments which the leaders proposed had been submitted to a county convention for approval, as the constitution required. This was not done, and it gave the to a bitter controversy. When the leaders wanted to a bitter controversy when the leaders wanted to a bitter controversy. When the leaders wanted to a bitter controversy when the proposed the amendments in a slipshod manner and had them adopted by the County Committee, when they could, without ever so much as thinking of the county convention's right to act. Many Republicans who have always taken as active interest in affairs, and who held no seats in the County Committee, were ignored. They could obtain no opportunity to make a protest against amendments that were proposed, or to have them properly considered, when the county convention met, and they were compelled to accept without question the flat of the bosses. were satisfied with the constitution of 1891, and

THEIR OWN CONSTITUTION MAKERS.

that the leaders also changed by many Republicans that the leaders also changed the constitution in many instances without consulting the County Committee. It is charged that when they found that they could not secure enough votes to have their plans adopted, such amendments as they wanted were boildly inserted in the constitution without ever being offered at the meating of the County Committee. In substantiation of these charges it is pointed out that the original constitution specified that "all officers shall be elected at the first meeting in January of each year by bailot." The constitution as it now reads says: "All officers shall be elected at the first meeting in January of each year by bailot, or otherwise, as the committee shall then determine."

Nobody seems to know how the clause "or otherwise, as the committee shall then determine" found its way into the constitution. A prominent member of the County Committee said yesterday that such a clause never had been offered as an amendment to the constitution at a meeting of the County Committee.

"When Chairman Woolley was a candidate for re-election about two years ago," said this Republican, "he was opposed by Congressman McEwan The lenders who supported him thought he would defeat McEwan by an overwhelming vote, as they controlled the votes of a majority of the County Committeemen. The election was by ballot.

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"When the result was announced Woolley had defeated McEwan by 50 majority out of a total of defeated McEwan by so majority out of a total second of the second defeat through treachery. Many of the committeemen whom the leaders counted upon to vote for Woolley took advantage of the secret hallot and voted for McEwan.

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"The leaders then feared that unless other tactics were adopted." the Republican continued. "they would be defeated when subsequent elections were held. As a result, they decided to insert the clause in the constitution for otherwise, as the committee shall then determine. Nobody besides themselves knows how such a clause found its way into the constitution. The clause was what the leaders wanted, however, and now no secret ballots can be taken without their consent. When elections are held the vote is by entire delegations, the chairman of each ward and township announcing the number of votes cast. A delegate, however, may cast his vote in opposition to the others in the delegation to which he belongs, but the leaders keep, a watchful eye, and if any committeeman should attempt to vote against their candidate he is marked for reprisals, and they will make it so unpleasant for him that he soon feels that his usefulness on the committee is at an end.

"Thus the system of electing officers by secret ballot, as the original constitution specified, has been ignored by the leaders, and such methods of conducting elections as they desired were put in force and no one could stop it.

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"The leaders knew that if secret ballots for the election of officers were taken, Chairman Woolley

election of officers were taken, Chairman Woolley could not be re-elected, and new men would be appointed on the committees. The leaders themselves would lose their places forthwith, and that, of course, is why they were so anxious that the elections should be held 'as the committee shall then determine.' The defeat of their candidate for chairman of the County Committee would mean their downfall. That is why the constitution has been so manipulated that the election of their candidate for chairman is assured."

Article VI, Section 5, of the constitution reads: "The Patronage Committee shall consist of fifteen members, whose duty it shall be to look into the merits of applicants for political positions, and to report to the County Committee its recommendations upon appointments."

Many Republicans charge that the Patronage Committee, which is controlled by Colonel Dickinson, has never reported its recommendations upon appointments, as the constitution requires. It is claimed that many of the appointments which were indorsed by the Patronage Committee would have been refected if they were submitted to the County Committee for approval. Such a strong demand has been made for a constitutional convention to adopt a new constitution that it is though that the Organization Committee will report in favor of issuing a call for a convention to satisfy the Republicans who are now outside of the organization and who steadfastly refuse to take any active interest in its affairs until radical changes are made in the leaders.

JURY FOR CLIFFORD'S EXECUTION. Justice Lippincott announced the jury yesterday witness the execution of Edward Clifford in the Hudson County Jail for the murder of William G. Wattson, superintendent of the West Shore Railroad. It includes Mayors Hoos of Jersey City, Fagan of Hoboken and Seymour of Bayonne. The execution was fixed for Tuesday next, but an appeal has been taken, and will stay the hanging.

CRABS SCARCE IN JERSEY.

Cape May, June 21 (Special).-The crab, which furnishes so much entertainment for those who furnishes so much entertainment for those who spend the summer at the seashore, and which is esteemed by the epicurean, will not be as plential this year as in former seasons. Pishermen who make a business of supplying crabs to the hotels, cottages and dealers, say that millions of them have perished by reason of the severe winter, and that the beach is lined with the shells of the dead crabs. The February blizzard was probably the cause of this wholesale destruction. All along the shores of Cape May and in the sounds adjoining crabs have been scarce this season, and it is also said by the visitors from the Eastern Shore of Maryland that they are just as scarce along the shores there. While nearly every visitor to the season easies for crabs as part of his meals, he has so far this year been unable to obtain them except at a higher price than heretofore.

RUNAWAY DRAGS A PEDLER BY THE LEG. George Falk, a pedler in Newark, was dragged half a block under his wagon by a runaway horse yesterday, and escaped with a few bruises. Falk was driving on Springfield-ave, in the morning, when one of the lines slipped out of his hands to the pavement, and he jumped from his seat to secure it. The lines got entangled around Falk's leg, and the horse, starting off, jerked him off his feet, his head falling under the front of the wagon. The horse increased his pace and them started on a gallop, dragging the pedier by his leg. Near the corner the horse swerved aside from a truck in the street and struck a trolley-car, smashing in the platform. The whiffletree and shafts of the wagon were broken, and the horse escaped from his harness and dashed up the street. Onlookers expected to find Falk daad, and were much surprised to find him uninjured, but badly frightened. half a block under his wagon by a runaway horse

DRIVER THROWN AND FATALLY HURT. Dominico Pelenchie, while driving a stone wagon by striking a stone. In falling his skull was fractured, and a wheel crushed his right leg. His injuries are considered mortal. Pelenchie is fifty years old, and lives at No. 391 Fourth-st., Jarsey.